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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

At

Application of

Carol L. Colrain et al.

Confirmation Number: 8991

Serial No.: 10/086,782

Group Art Unit: 2167

Filed: February 28, 2002

Examiner: Harold E. Dodds

For:

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed May 17, 2005, the twomonth period for which runs until July 18, 2005, as July 17, 2005 falls on a Sunday. In order to place the application in condition for allowance, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and reconsideration of the application in light of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.